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Transmitted herewith for filing under 35 U.S.C. 111(a) and 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) is a new utility patent application for an invention entitled:

SYSTEMS, METHODS, AND VALVES FOR PROVIDING PRESSURIZED WATER TO A PLURALITY OF WATER JETS IN A BATHING ENCLOSURE

and invented by:

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1. ☒ Filing fee as calculated and transmitted as described below
2. ☒ Specification having 30 pages and including the following:
 - a. ☒ Descriptive Title of the Invention
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 - c. ☐ Statement Regarding Federally-sponsored Research/Development (if applicable)
 - d. ☐ Reference to Sequence Listing, a Table, or a Computer Program Listing Appendix
 - e. ☒ Background of the Invention
 - f. ☒ Brief Summary of the Invention
 - g. ☒ Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
 - h. ☒ Detailed Description
 - i. ☒ Claim(s) as Classified Below
 - j. ☒ Abstract of the Disclosure

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3. ☒ Drawing(s) *(when necessary as prescribed by 35 USC 113)*
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Accompanying Application Parts

9. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(B) Statement (when there is an assignee)
11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement/PTO-1449 ☒ Copies of IDS Citations
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1. The first step in the process is to identify the problem or issue that needs to be addressed. This involves gathering information and understanding the context of the problem.

2. Once the problem is identified, the next step is to define the objectives and goals of the project. This helps to clarify what needs to be achieved and provides a clear direction for the work.

3. The third step is to develop a plan or strategy to address the problem. This involves breaking down the problem into smaller, manageable tasks and determining the resources and timeline needed to complete them.

4. The fourth step is to implement the plan. This involves putting the strategy into action and monitoring progress to ensure that the project is on track.

5. The final step is to evaluate the results of the project. This involves assessing the outcomes against the objectives and goals and identifying any lessons learned for future projects.

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DOCUMENTS INCLUDED:

- * Small Entity - Utility Patent Application Transmittal Letter (4 pages) (in duplicate);
- * U.S. Patent Application in 30 pages, including Specification, 48 Claims, and Abstract;
- * Formal Drawings (4 Pages / 4 Figures);
- * Unexecuted Declaration and Power of Attorney for Patent Application (3 pages);
- * Assertion of Small Entity Status (1 page);
- * EFS Application Data Sheet (1 page);
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